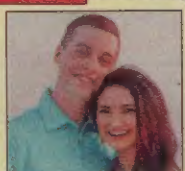


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Similar action being considered for current employees

Elba leaders approve 'one-time' bonus pay for retired employees

by Linda Hodge, Editor

The Elba City Council discussed a potential bonus for retirees during both a work session and the regular council meeting held Monday evening, Aug. 22, at Elba City Hall.

In the end, the council voted to give its retired city employees a one-time bonus made possible by actions of the Alabama Legislature earlier this year. Once a bill for such action is approved by state legislators, it is then up to the local governments whether or not to fund the bonus at the local level.

Mayor Tom Maddox said a decision had to be made before Oct. 1, if retired employees for the City of Elba and Elba Water and Electric Board would receive the approved bonus or not.

The Elba Water and Electric Board followed suit with the city council Monday night and also approved the one-time bonus for its retirees.

Council members discussed using ARPA [American Rescue Plan Act] monies to fund the bonuses.

The work session discussion revealed, however, that current city employees might be a bit disgruntled by the action as city clerk Sally Bane told the council she had received numerous complaints from employees at the notion of retirees receiving a bonus this year.

She cited that current employees were aware that other local governmental offices had previously provide one-time pay increases to their employees with ARPA funds as a 'thank you' to employees for their work during the COVID pandemic. She said the employees were unhappy that Elba's city leaders had not followed suit and done something similar for their employees.

Also, with Fiscal Year 2023 budget talks pending, Bane said employees would be hoping for some sort of pay raise to get the city's pay scale more in line with other surrounding towns and counties.

During the work session, council members tossed

around several ideas on the matter. Council member Gappa Wise said he realizes the city's workforce is down from where it used to be, but he also wondered if current employees would consider "wearing more than one hat when necessary to get the job done" if a pay increase did come their way.

He said he knows there are times in his line of work where more pay sometimes leads to less work, and he said he would hope that would not be the case regarding Elba's workforce. He said whatever the city comes up with regards to more compensation for employees, he would hope the employees would be willing to give more too.

With a deadline approaching on the retiree bonus proposal and no figures on costs to fund a current employee one-time pay increase, the council left its work session still with questions on the matter.

After the council voted to approve the one-time bonus for its retirees, council member Jane Brunson asked that the clerk run numbers before the next council work session/meeting to provide the council with figures on what it would cost to also give current employees a one-time pay increase similar to that approved for the retired employees. The council is expected to discuss that further at the next meeting.

Mayor Tom Maddox did not vote in favor of the retiree bonus, but he said his no vote was not directed negatively toward retirees at all. Rather, he said he felt it would be uncomfortable for the city and water and electric board to give their retired employees the bonus when the healthcare authority might not be able to do the same. That entity also is covered under the legislative actions approved earlier this year by state legislators for the potential one-time bonuses.

Also, during Monday night's council meeting an amendment to the new truck route ordinance in Elba was approved. A copy of that amended notice is on Page 7 of today's paper.



NO INJURIES REPORTED FROM THREE-VEHICLE WRECK...Just after 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 22, a traffic accident involving three vehicles was reported on Claxton Avenue at the intersection of Whitman Street. All three vehicles sustained damage in the collision, but no injuries were reported. Those on scene Monday evening said it appeared one vehicle was at the stop sign on Whitman Street when a second vehicle attempted to turn off Claxton onto Whitman. Another vehicle traveling on south on Claxton seemingly did not realize the vehicle in front was attempting the turn. All this reportedly led to the collision scene captured above. Traffic flow on Claxton Avenue was hindered for a short time as crews worked to clear the wreckage.

Elba superintendent lauds students/teacher for improving reading skills

by Linda Hodge, Editor

During the Elba Board of Education meeting Tuesday evening, Aug. 16, Elba City Schools superintendent Chris Moseley lauded the efforts of some students and teachers that utilized the summer reading program to make advancements.

Specifically, he was speaking on the third grade students that received less than stellar reading assessment scores from the ACAP test last school year. It was highly publicized when those numbers were released by the State Department of Education that Elba had 20 students in the last year's third grade class that had tested below grade level on the ACAP.

"I want to give credit where credit is due," Moseley said last Tuesday night.

He said those 20 students that assessed below grade level for reading were asked to participate in the school's summer reading program.

"Out of the 20 students asked to participate, 18 came for the summer reading program," Moseley said. "We can't force them to come, but 18 did come."

He said those students retook the ACAP test, and those scores have come back to the school.

"Those numbers won't show up in the newspapers, and we won't get credit to change our previously published numbers,

but 10 of the 18 that participated in our summer program and retook the test now are reading at or above grade level."

The superintendent said he wanted to give props to the students and the teachers that worked during the summer to make this happen.

"With those 10 of 18 going at or above grade level, it would add to our 67 percent score that was publicized [and increase that number]," Moseley said. "This is a testament to the students and teachers that worked in the summer to achieve higher levels."

Also, during last week's

meeting, board members voted to amend the contract of EES principal Kendra Martin to bring her salary in line with the new salary schedule recently approved by the school board.

County commission approves FY2023 Transportation Plan

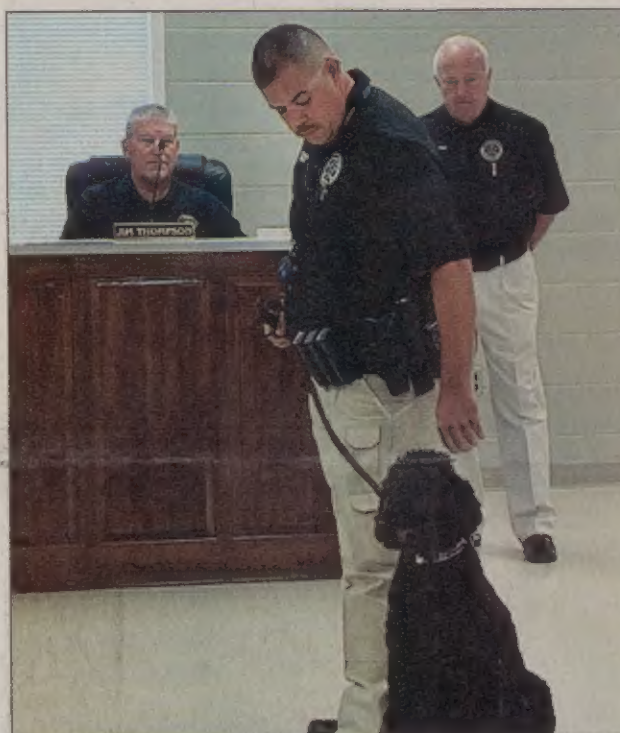
by Linda Hodge, Editor

Coffee County Commissioners approved the county's FY2023 Transportation Plan during their regular meeting Monday morning, Aug. 22, in New Brockton.

The plan addresses 9.02 miles of county roadway at an estimated total cost of \$1,575,000.

Included in the plan:

- The resurfacing and traffic striping of County Rd. 719 from County Rd. 708 to State Hwy. 167. This is 1.94 miles of roadway at



COFFEE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS met three K9 officers from the Coffee County Sheriff's Office during their meeting Monday morning, Aug. 22. The K9's and their handlers visited the meeting to allow the county leaders an opportunity to see the results of worthy expenditures. Two narcotics K9 officers were introduced, along with the county's newest K9 addition, Mayor. Mayor is a facility dog utilized in the Coffee County School System to help students and teachers having a 'bad day'.

Coffee County announces 'No Changes' to residential garbage pickup for Labor Day

Coffee County Environmental Services manager Mike Thornton noted that residential garbage pickup would remain on schedule for the Monday, Sept. 5, Labor Day holiday. He said it would be normal operations for garbage pickup on that day.

an estimated project cost of \$350,000; and

- The resurfacing and traffic striping of County Rd. 239 from County Rd. 249 to County Rd. 248. This includes 2.74 miles of county roadway with an estimated project cost of \$475,000.

- The resurfacing and traffic striping of County Rd. 450 from State Hwy. 134 to State Hwy. 87. This is 2.97 miles of roadway with an estimated project cost of \$500,000; and

The plan was presented by county engineer Marty Lentz, and commissioners unanimously voted to approve the plan, which will be submitted to the state.

Area Happenings

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL ...On Friday, Aug. 26, the Elba Tigers will travel to Kinston; the Zion Chapel Rebels will host Goshen; the New Brockton Gamecocks will host Opp; and the Brantley Bulldogs will travel to Houston County. Kickoff is set for 7 p.m. for each game.

THE COFFEE COUNTY ARTS ALLIANCE will present the Blackwood Quartet in concert Thursday, Sept. 22, at 7 p.m., at Elba High School. This is a Grammy award-winning group that performs gospel music. For more information or to purchase tickets, visit www.CoffeeCountyArtsAlliance.com or call (334) 406-2787.

THE ELBA CLIPPER OFFICE will be closed Monday, Sept. 5, in observance of Labor Day.



ELBA TIGERS GIVE BACK TO COMMUNITY...Members of the Elba Tigers football program completed a little community service Saturday morning, Aug. 13, as the group picked up trash in the downtown area. This has become an annual service for the Tigers prior to the start of the football season, implemented by current head coach Marc Sieving. He said it helps the players to realize the importance of 'giving back' to the community that supports them each football season. Above, the players are shown with bags of trash they picked up during the morning.

EDITORIAL

BRAINSTORMS

With Ferrin Cox

"Not everything that can be counted counts, and now everything that counts can be counted." – Albert Einstein

High School football got off to a roaring start last week and in spite of our earlier concerns over the heat, we have not heard of any player having a disastrous reaction to the temperature (nor to other physical injuries). For that we can all be grateful.

There has been no announcement from city hall about what will happen to the local recycle program when the private contractor terminates his contract at the end of September. That subject popped back into our mind with the announcement this week of the death of the city employee (Arnie Beerenstrauch) who was the last public employee to run the local recycling program.

Recently we stumbled upon a website of a social media group that is very much involved with the WWII German death camps and tracking the life and history of those who died and those who survived. Last week one person wrote of visiting one of the camps (Auschwitz) and it, "Still had a slight funky smell." We had the same reaction at another one of the camps, but our time frame was over 60 years ago! We didn't describe the odor around the furnaces as "funky" but as the lingering smell of burning flesh. If a person ever walks through one of those preserved camps, the experience will be etched in their mind forever. We understand that over the years displays have been erected, including photos of huge piles of old shoes, boxes of wedding rings taken from prisoners before they entered the furnaces, etc. The pictures that tear at my gut the most are those mothers and little children walking hand-in-hand into the gas chamber – and their ultimate death.

The latest virus that is crippling the world is out of Africa and spreading rather fast. It is monkeypox, which some frown of the name. In California they have officially changed it from "monkeypox" to "mpox" or "MPX." We have no problem with that but feel more effort should be on prevention and/or cures than on a long used name that is suddenly offensive or degrading to some folks since it is no longer confined to Africa.

Survey shows highway deaths have been on the rise since about 2015, after many years of a gradual falling. Cell phones became more and more common along about the time of the highway death rate increase, leaving the experts to suspect that 'distracted driving' that causes a large part of the increase. Increased drug and alcohol use, running red lights and failing to fasten seat belts also come in for some of the credit. The bottom line for each of us should be "Be more attentive to your driving" put down the cell phone, leave the drugs and alcohol at home and leave early enough that you don't have the impulse to run that red (or even the yellow) light.

Be safe, wear your mask when appropriate, social distance, wash your hands AND get the shot(s) and/or boosters!

Fall events offered at Landmark Park in Dothan

Landmark Park Bluegrass Festival

September 10. Join the Landmark Park Bluegrass family! Live bluegrass music all day. Plus, bring your instrument for jam sessions, instrument demos, food trucks, kids activities, historical interpretations, antique tractors, wagon rides, and arts and crafts vendors. Bring your lawn chairs and 10x10 tents! Admission includes a wristband for re-entry. Admission is \$10 for adults; \$8 for seniors and military; \$4 for kids; free for park members and children 2 and under. Gates open at 9 a.m.; music starts at noon. Click here for additional info on camping, food vendors and

arts and crafts. Sponsored by Athens State University, Relationship Builders, Inc., State of Alabama Tourism Department, Ingram Realty LLC, El Dorado Steakhouse, HNB First Bank, Panhandle 2.0, Headland Ace Hardware, Canvas Products of Dothan, SunSouth.

Peanut Boil

September 24. 5 p.m.-8 p.m. Bring your picnic and lawn chairs for an after-hours peanut boil. Watch as peanuts are stacked the old fashioned way and listen to bluegrass music. Admission includes one free cup of boiled peanuts. \$6 for adults, \$5 for kids, free for park members and children

2 and under.

Halloween Fun Fest and Zombie Run

October 1. 4 p.m.-8 p.m. 5K Zombie Run plus kids activities, corn maze, pumpkin patch, music, and more. Preregistration required for the Zombie Run, call David at 334-794-3452 to register. Run registration includes entry to the Halloween Kick Off. \$6 Adults; \$5 Kids (ages 3-12); FREE for park members and 5K runners.

Landmark Park Quilt Show

October 14-16. Held in conjunction with the park's annual Fall Farm Day, this quilt show features over 100 antique and contemporary quilts displayed inside the Stokes Activity Barn. This juried show includes exhibits, door prizes, speakers and more. Open for viewing on Friday (1-4); Saturday (10-4); Sunday (1-4). Click here for Quilt Entry Form; here for vendor application; here for sponsorships info. Admission and times vary according to the day.

Fall Farm Day

October 15. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. Come and watch how peanuts were harvested in

the Wiregrass nearly 100 years ago. Enjoy the sights, sounds and sweet smells of cane grinding, syrup making, butter churning, soap making and other traditional farm activities. Other activities include music, antique tractors, wagon rides and the largest quilt display in the Wiregrass region. Sponsored by the National Peanut Festival. \$8 for adults; \$6 for seniors and military; \$4 for kids; free for park members and children 2 and under.

Low Country Boil

October 27. 6 p.m.-9 p.m. Shrimp, sausage, corn, potatoes and a blend of spices will simmer in a 60-gallon kettle for a mouthwatering dish. Advance tickets are required. For more info or to purchase tickets, call 334-794-3452. \$50 per person; \$5 for kids under 13. Sponsored by William and Carroll Flowers, WDFX FOX 34, Buffalo Rock, Dothan Printing, Martin Environmental, Worth Tent, Playmaker Embroidery, US Business Products, Alden Services, Adams Beverages, Steve and Angelia Stokes, Dade Paper, Nantze Springs.

Elba Police

The Elba Police Department, between Tuesday, Aug. 16, 2022, and Monday, Aug. 22, 2022, conducted the following activity:

Tuesday, Aug. 16 – Harassing communications reported at 11 County Rd 342 (8:55 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 108 Clark Ave (10:41 a.m.); Structure fire reported at 1512 Powell Circle (4:01 p.m.); Domestic complaint reported at 19734 Hwy 87 (8:13 p.m.).

Wednesday, Aug. 17 – Suspicious person reported on Hwy 87 – w/ an arrest (9:59 a.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1078 Morrow Ave (11:01 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 740 West St – w/ impound (4:15 p.m.); Grass fire reported on Dr Roberts Dr (5:25 p.m.); Nine traffic stops resulted in five citations, two verbal warnings, one no report, and one written warning.

Thursday, Aug. 18 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 20200 N Hwy 87 – w/ an arrest (3:34 a.m.); Animal complaint reported at 597

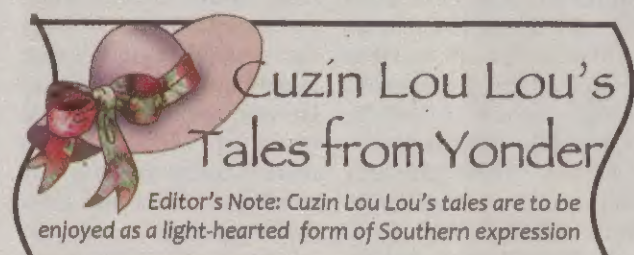
Hwy 203 – w/ impound (9:48 a.m.); Structure fire reported at 1119 Guyton St (2:42 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Garrett St (4:57 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported at 1050 Neil Grantham Dr (7:20 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 863 Reese Ave (8:09 p.m.); Six traffic stops resulted in three citations, and three verbal warnings.

Friday, Aug. 19 – Suspicious person reported at 435 Reese Ave (12:33 a.m.); Reckless driver stopped on N Claxton Ave – verbal warning issued (11:05 a.m.); Disturbance reported at 154 Yelverton Ave (11:12 a.m.); Animal complaint reported on Simmons St (1:35 p.m.); Man with a gun reported in area of Adams St and Jones St (2:08 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported on Hwy 203 (9:40 p.m.); Noise complaint reported at Mulberry Park – verbal warning issued (10:46 p.m.); One traffic stops resulted in a written warning.

Saturday, Aug. 20 – Domestic complaint reported at 429 Plant Ave (7:59 a.m.); Suspicious person reported on West St (8:51 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 667 Reynolds Ave – w/ an arrest (5:20 p.m.); Suspicious circumstances reported at 804 Hwy 203 (6:15 p.m.); Disturbance reported at 1280 Hwy 203 (6:45 p.m.); Suspicious person reported at on Hwy 134 close to Hwy 87 (7:47 p.m.); Suspicious vehicle reported on Hickman Ave (8:51 p.m.); Seven traffic stops resulted in one written warning, four citations, and two verbal warnings.

Sunday, Aug. 21 – Harassment reported at 987 Drayton Ave (2:50 p.m.); Five traffic stops all resulted in citations.

Monday, Aug. 22 – Suspicious vehicle reported at 1950 Reese Ave (8:03 p.m.); Criminal mischief reported at 1415 Jones St (10:06 p.m.); Drug activity reported on Simmons St (11:14 a.m.); Traffic accident reported at intersection of Claxton Ave and Whitman St (5:06 p.m.); Animal complaint reported at 973 County Rd 401 (6:34 p.m.); Four traffic stops resulted in two verbal warnings, and two written warnings.



Cuzin Lou Lou has a tale to tell on Sister but telling said tale would most likely be 'the end' of Lou Lou!

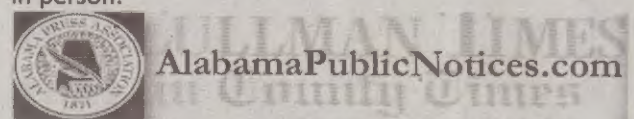
Without going into too much detail, Lou Lou can tell you that Sister went for one of her many pampering sessions last Friday afternoon, and Sister found herself dealing with a 'new girl' at said pampering place. Reportedly, everything was going great...untill

In these pampering session, whether it be a new hairdo, new nail color, spa treatment...or...something else, there is always a chance of things going differently when a new girl is at work.

Sister got a firsthand experience of that last Friday!

When she called Lou Lou, she began explaining what she was expecting and then what actually happened, and Lou Lou lost it! She could not contain herself!

Something like that would only happen to Sister, and the only way it could have been better was if Lou Lou had been there to see Sister's face in person.



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Learning to hunt may seem out of reach for those who didn't grow up with hunting as part of their family experience. Fortunately, Alabama's Adult Mentored Hunt (AMH) Program teaches all the skills needed to put wild game on the dinner table and help start new traditions. Getting started in the AMH program is as simple as signing up for a Hunting 101 workshop.

Designed by the Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries (WFF) Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (ADCNR) for anyone with little to no hunting experience, the daylong workshops take place at various Wildlife Management Areas (WMA) throughout the state and provide participants with an opportunity to learn hunting basics, firearm safety and handling, where to hunt and the equipment needed. Immediately following the workshops, participants are encouraged to use their new skills by small game hunting on the WMA with assistance from experienced mentors.

Registration for Hunting 101 is currently open. The first workshop of the 2022-2023 season will take place at the Swan Creek Wildlife Management Area (WMA) near Decatur, Alabama, on September 24. There is a \$20 registration fee for each workshop. To learn more about the AMH program or register for a workshop, visit www.outdooralabama.com/hunting/adult-men-

tored-hunting-program.

"Hunting 101 is open to anyone with an interest in learning how to hunt," said Brandon Holloway, Conservation Enforcement Officer and Regional R3 (Recruitment, Retention and Reactivation) Coordinator for WFF. "Our hope is that participants walk away from the experience with the skills and confidence needed to have a successful hunt on their own or with a hunting partner."

To attend a workshop, participants must be at least 19 years of age and possess a valid driver's license. Attending Hunting 101 is required to become eligible to participate in a three-day AMH hunt for deer or turkey. Workshop attendees will be notified by email if they have been randomly selected for an AMH hunt.

Additional Hunting 101 workshop dates for the 2022-2023 season include October 1 at the William R. Ireland-Cahaba River WMA near Birmingham and October 8 at the Upper Delta WMA near Mobile. A Turkey Hunting 101 workshop is also scheduled for February 25, 2023, at the William R. Ireland-Cahaba River WMA near Birmingham.

ADCNR promotes wise stewardship, management and enjoyment of Alabama's natural resources through four divisions: Marine Resources, State Lands, State Parks, and Wildlife and Freshwater Fisheries. To learn more about ADCNR, visit www.outdooralabama.com.

Scoreboard Live is new AHSAA digital partner for scores and more

Alabama High School Athletic Association Executive Director Alvin Briggs announced Tuesday the AHSAA has partnered with nationally recognized Scorebook Live Inc. (SBLive Sports) to serve as the AHSAA's official digital partner.

As the AHSAA's digital partner, SBLive Sports will be the official digital source for AHSAA scores, schedules, tournament brackets, gamecasts, live scoring and more beginning with the current 2022-2023 school year.

"We think Scorebook Live is going to help the AHSAA elevate its digital media information and meet its growing needs while providing a quick source for our schools and others wanting up-to-date information," Briggs said. "Scorebook Live will be an important asset for AHSAA team and contest information as we move forward."

Dan Beach, founder and CEO of SBLive Sports, said, "Alabama is one of the best high school sports communities in the country, and we are committed to providing fans with exciting coverage, real time scores, breaking news, and more while also making it easy for coaches and athletic directors to create and manage schedules, scores and rosters via our content sharing partnership with DragonFly Athletics."

AHSAA Assistant Director Marvin Chou

Obituaries

Obits are updated regularly on our website: www.elba-clipper.com

ANNIE MERLE ROGERS

Mrs. Annie Merle Rogers, age 84, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Tuesday, August 16, 2022, at her home.

Funeral services were held Friday, Aug. 19, 2022, from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Rev. Steve Watson officiating. Burial followed in the Mt. Gilead Baptist Church Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Those wishing to make memorials are asked to do so to the Arthritis Foundation, P.O. Box 96280, Washington, DC 20077.

Annie Merle was born October 8, 1937, the daughter of a sharecropper. She farmed alongside her father and siblings for many years, which instilled a work ethic second to none. Later she went to work in textile manufacturing where she became a vital employee often being called on to train fellow employees in various tasks.

Mrs. Rogers was preceded in death by her parents, Johnny Lex Watson, and Maggie Lillian Watson; a son, Billy Anderson; brothers, Doyle and Johnny Watson, along with a sister, Jean Marie Warrick.

She leaves include her husband of 50 years: Dewey Douglas Rogers, Elba; daughters: Margaret Ann (Louie) Watson, New Brockton, Ala., and Kim Darlene (Jackie) Downing, Elba; daughter-in-law: Shelia Anderson, Chancellor, Ala.; brothers: Dennis (Patsy) Watson, Clifton Watson, and Jimmy Watson, all of Jay, Fla.; sisters: Bonnie Joyce Dole, Flomaton, Ala., and Brenda (Phil) Calhoun, of Jay; 10 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren, and one great great-grandchild.

JOHN HANSEL PRESCOTT

Mr. John Hansel Prescott was born in Elba, Alabama on June 28, 1936, and he went to his heavenly home on August 18, 2022.

He started Prescott Gas Inc. in February 1973 and was looking forward to celebrating the 50th anniversary of his business. He enjoyed visiting with his many customers, whether in person or on the phone. He was a school bus driver for Santa Rosa County School Board and retired with 24.5 years of service.

Hansel enjoyed teaching Sunday school at Hollandtown Holiness Church. He taught Sunday School for 58 years. He also enjoyed fox hunting, and watching Alabama football. Funeral services were Sunday, Aug. 21, 2022 at Hollandtown Holiness Church. Honorary pall bearers will be the members of his adult Sunday School Class. Jay Funeral Chapel was in charge of arrangements.

He is preceded in death by his parents John "Button" and Eula Mae Prescott, brother Hayward Prescott, mother-in-law Fannie Wise, and daughter-in-law Marti Prescott. Survivors include his wife of 65 years: Dorothy Wise Prescott; five children: Susan, Richard (Joan), Wanda, Kenneth and Philip; 12 grandchildren; nine great-grandchildren; a sister: Sally Mitchell; brother: Herman (Maggie); sister-in-law: Nancy; special friends: Jap Rhineholt and family; and many other cousins, nieces, nephews, and friends.

ARNOLD HENRY BEERENSTRAUCH

Mr. Arnold Henry Beerenstrauch, age 75, a resident of Elba, Ala., died Saturday, August 20, 2022, at Flowers Hospital in

Dothan, Ala. Funeral services were held Wednesday, Aug. 24, 2022, at 11 a.m., from the Chapel of Hayes Funeral Home in Elba with Min. Philip Box officiating. Burial followed in the New Home Cemetery under the direction of Hayes Funeral Home. Visitation was at Hayes Funeral

Home on Wednesday, from 10-11 a.m. Arnie was preceded in death by his wife, Shelia Simmons Beerenstrauch; his father, Elmer Henry Beerenstrauch; his mother, Alma Maria Frieda Schmoir; and stepfather, Marvin Schmoir. Survivors include his daughter: Amanda Beerenstrauch, and son: Alex Beerenstrauch, both of Elba.

HAROLD SPICER

Mr. Harold Spicer, age 86, of Elba, Ala., died Friday, August 19, 2022, at his home.

Funeral services were held Monday, Aug. 22, 2022, from Westside Baptist Church with Rev. Ken Wilson and Rev. Kaye Yates officiating. Burial followed in the Early Town Cemetery.

Harold and his wife, Ann, would have celebrated 69 years of marriage on August 22, 2022. He was a long-time deacon at Westside Baptist church where he attended for many years. He was civic minded, serving four terms as a member of the Elba City Council. He also represented Elba on the board of Southeast Gas.

Harold was preceded in death by his parents, Ballard and Sally Spicer; sisters, Merle Parrish and Frances Pearson; and brothers Opal, Leland, and Rayvon "PG" Spicer.

Survivors include his wife: Annie Rae Spicer, Elba; daughters: Patsy (Donald)

Lindsey, Dothan, and Sandra Spicer (Richard Reysake), Lillian; son: Terry (Ceina) Spicer, Elba; his grandchildren: Niki Lindsey Fletcher, Scott Lindsey, Kendal Vaughn, Paige Culpepper, Hayes Spicer, and J. Cole Spicer; along with eight great-grandchildren.

Jimright named to Dean's List at WCC

Karrie Jimright from Jack, AL, was recently named to the Dean's List for the Summer 2022 semester at Wallace Community College.

Students named to the Dean's list must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of college level coursework with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher.

Wallace Community College-Dothan is a member of the Alabama Community College System, which is the state's single largest system of public higher education. With campuses in Dothan and Eufaula, Wallace offers academic and career technical programs, adult education, workforce development and continuing education, as well as dual enrollment for area high school students.



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The Phases of Grief

It is often said grief is a journey. For many individuals, that journey leads through five distinct stages of emotional expression. These stages of grief are not etched into stone, and all individuals will experience them differently. Contrary to popular belief, these five stages do not necessarily occur in any specific order and you can move backward and forward between the stages over and over. However, the stages do describe the basic journey many mourners take, across cultures and walks of life.

The first stage of grief is denial. When you learn a close loved one has died, you may try to make yourself believe it isn't real ... it isn't happening. This is a defense mechanism, and it's meant to help you weather the immediate shock of losing someone.

Once the initial wave of denial wanes, the next stage is anger. In this stage, you may find yourself feeling outraged toward the deceased, irrational though that may be. Or, you may be angry at yourself or even at God.

The third stage is bargaining, which is typically characterized by "if only" sentiments. For example, you might think things like "if only we had sought care sooner," or "if only I could have been there for him." This phase is often accompanied by guilt; you make yourself think maybe there's something you could have done to prevent this loss from happening.

The fourth stage is depression, which can impact different people to varying degrees. Depression can ultimately help prepare you to say final goodbyes to the person you've lost.

Finally, there is acceptance. You can still feel sad during the acceptance stage, but you're able to accept what's happened more objectively and start thinking about healthy ways to grieve and to move on with your life.

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CHURCH NEWS

Local American Veterans Post opens in Daleville

The Southeast Alabama American Veterans Post 7 has officially opened in Daleville, Ala.

American Veterans, or AM-VETS for short, finds its beginnings in 1944 as many veterans were helping returning war veterans to obtain their earned benefits from the federal government.

The Southeast Alabama AMVETS Post 7 has hit the ground running and al-

ready has multiple projects planned, including two 9/11 Patriot Day Remembrance events on Saturday Sept. 10th in Daleville at 9:00 am and in Elba at 2:00 pm, various Veterans Day events in November, Flags for Forgotten Soldiers displays will be set-up in Enterprise, Daleville, and Ozark throughout the year in multiple locations to remind people of the Veteran Suicide Issue, multiple POW/MIA table displays will be set up in local businesses and government buildings for patriotic holidays, the youth are recognized through JROTC Cadet Awards and scholarships, and the Traveling Vietnam Wall is booked for 2023. Cemetery clean-ups, a picnic for special

needs kids, and more projects are on the calendar.

AMVETS also provides assistance to veterans filing their VA claims, scholarships, warrior reintegration, career assistance, and more. Free mental counseling is also available in partnership with The Military Support Group and Care Counseling, LLC.

Southeast Alabama AMVETS Post 7 meets on the first Thursday of each month at 11 am in the banquet room of C.h.o.p.p.e.r.'s O.L. School BBQ in Daleville. Membership for AMVETS is open to all currently serving or honorably discharged service members of the U S Armed Forces to include reserve and guard members.

Round and About

With Eria's Daughter

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Scripture: Hallelujah, meaning "Praise the LORD" Psalm 150:1-6

Thinking of you! Praying for you

Teachers
Government Officials
Doctors
Ministers
Nursing Home Patients
World peace
Less Fortunate
Single Mothers
Sick & Shut-ins
AUGUST BIRTHDAYS/ANNIVERSARIES
Re-Nita Brooks 8/17
Missy Berry 8/17
Victor8 Edwards 8/18
Isaac Nelson 8/18
Dea. J.L. Williams 8/20
I.M.O.
Rosemary Edwards 8/20
Oshay Hammonds 8/20
Chasi Williams Hargrett 8/21
Annie./Flowers 8/21
Matcus Tillis 8/223
Basketball Great Kobe Bryant 8/23 I.M.O.

WEIGHING OUR WORDS

One trip to the pediatrician involved my daughter at the tender age of 13. Girls at that age think a lot about appearance, a problematic issue in the development of self-image. Because of a rapid growth spurt that year seemed that every bit of food my daughter ate went to getting taller. As a result, she appeared almost skeletal.

At one point in the exam the doctor said to her "Your weight is much higher than most girls your age. As the doctor paused my daughter looked at me with large eyes. Dismayed that the doctor would say something that would be taken so wrong by a teenage girl, I exclaimed, "Yes, but that's because she is much taller than most girls her age. Look at her! She's so thin she almost looks unhealthy!"

"Oh yes, of course. I was going to say that the doctor added. Unfortunately,

the damage was done. For several months after that, my daughter, asked me if she really was overweight like the doctor said and she examined herself daily for extra pounds. We might say that the pediatrician's words carried weight. What we say can affect others for months or years to come. That's just as true today as it was in the first century A.D.

L. M. W. QUESTION/ANSWERS SECTION

Q/A for the week of 8/25/22 Multiple Choice

Q: In the book of Exodus the penalty for working on the Sabbath was what? (Death) (40 Lashes) (Prison)

(A) Death - Exodus 31:14,15

Q: GOD promised to give HIS people a new what? (pick two) - (Land) (Heart) (Spirit) (Stone) (Name)

(A) Heart & Spirit - Ezekiel 36:26

Q: Which people group is not mentioned as occupying the land promised to Abram's seed? (Moabites) (Jebusites) (Kenites)

(A) Moabites - Genesis 15:18-21

Thought to Remember

Don't ask GOD for a lighter load, but a stronger back to carry the Load

Questions for the week of 9-1-2022

Fill in the Blanks

(Q) The two physical elements of the LORD'S supper are _____? and cup.

(Q) The writer of Hebrews affirms that GOD is a consuming fire?

Today is a good day! Be grateful

Eria's Daughter. Sue

PASTOR'S CORNER

by R. Steven Reneau, Pastor
Elba United Methodist Church

Philippians 2:12-15

Therefore, my beloved, just as you have always obeyed me, not only in my presence, but much more now in my absence, work out your own salvation with fear and trembling; for it is God who is at work in you, enabling you both to will and to work for his good pleasure. Do all things without murmuring and arguing, so that you may be blameless and innocent, children of God without blemish in the midst of a crooked and perverse generation, in which you shine like stars in the world.

Growing up my family had an old Ford Falcon named "Trusty" that sat exposed to the elements gathering rust and slowly deteriorating. A family friend, who loved fixing up cars, offered to move it to his farm, and a couple of days a week after school, I would help him restore it. Slowly but surely, Trusty was restored to her former glory, and I as a little seven-year old got to drive her around the farm. In a age of when something breaks we are so quick to throw it out, we still see the value of restoring something worn down and broken.

God is the same when it comes to us. God's grace calls us into a relationship. God's grace forgives us so that broken relationship with God can be mended. Yet, we are still broken, and in need of God's restoring grace. This grace from God empowers us to work to become holy in our heart and lives. This is what Paul is saying to the church in Philippi when he tells them to "work out their own salvation". God invites us to join in this task of becoming restored into the image and likeness in which God created us. Yes, God could do this without our help, but as God invites us in the creative process of the universe, the forgiveness of the world through the church, God also invites us to join in our own restoration. Earlier, Leonard could have restored Trusty without my help, but I was invited to take part in it.

So, how do we take part in working out our own salvation? As people of faith we believe we receive grace upon grace through studying the scriptures, praying, fasting, worshipping, healthy living, sharing our faith, taking part in the sacraments of Baptism and Holy Communion, conferencing with other believers, visiting the sick and in-prisoned, feeding the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothing the naked, seeking justice, and working to eradicate oppression of the marginalized and any form of discrimination. We have traditionally called these actions the Works of Piety and Mercy, and they are means of grace in the life of the believer.

If you are a believer, but feel your faith is stuck or stagnant, consider these means of grace and how you can become a more active part of working out your own salvation to become restored into who God has created you to be.

Homecoming New Haven Baptist Church

Elba, Alabama

Sunday, August 28

Worship Service

10:00 a.m.



Speaker: Alan Dieas

Special Music: Derek Snellgrove

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Church Directory

IN HIM WAS
LIFE AND
THE LIFE
WAS THE
LIGHT OF
MEN

ABUNDANT
LIFE
CHURCH
Rockey Pearce, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

ABUNDANT LIFE
CHURCH SAMSON, Ala.
Richard Thora Sr., Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

ALBERTON BAPTIST
CHURCH
Harry Driggers, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

BASIN BAPTIST CHURCH
Sam Self, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

BETHLE AME CHURCH
Deborah A. Butler, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

BETHLEHEM BAPTIST
CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Class... 6:30 p.m.

BETHANY BAPTIST
CHURCH
Greg Cotter, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:30 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:30 p.m.

BLUFF SPRINGS
BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

BROOKLYN BAPTIST
CHURCH
Robert Davis, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.

CHESTNUT GROVE
METHODIST CHURCH
Remona Smith, Pastor
Church Service... 9:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

CORNERSTONE BIBLE
CHURCH
Larry Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Night... 7:00 p.m.



COVENANT COMMUNITY
CHURCH
Paul Jackson, Pastor
Sunday Fellowship 9:30 a.m.
Sunday Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Wed. Night "Peak of the Week & meal... 5:30 p.m.
Bible Study & Prayer... 6:15 p.m. until 7:00 p.m.

DAMASCUS BAPTIST
CHURCH
Steve Watson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

DORCAS BAPTIST
CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Discipleship Training 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.

EANON BAPTIST
CHURCH
Mark Ward, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:15 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF CHRIST
Phillip Box, Minister
Bible Study... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
David Noble, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:45 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.

ELBA CHURCH OF GOD
OF PROPHECY
H.L. Buckner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Night... 6:00 p.m.
Thur. Night... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA DELIVERANCE
TABERNACLE
Allen Richards, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ELBA 1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Dwight Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA FIRST BAPTIST
CHURCH
Kit Johnson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ELBA UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
Steve Reneau, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Services... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

EVANGELIST TEMPLE
CHURCH OF GOD IN CHRIST
Timothy Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

FAIRVIEW BAPTIST
CHURCH
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet 7:30 p.m.

FAITH CHAPEL
COMMUNITY CHURCH
Phillip Adcock, Pastor
Sunday Morning... 10:30 a.m.
Sunday School... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

1st ASSEMBLY OF GOD -
KINSTON
Danny Bradshaw, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 7:00 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP BAPTIST
CHURCH
Scott Donaldson, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

FRIENDSHIP HOLINESS
CHURCH
Edward E. Drake, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.

GODS POWER HOUSE
EVANGELISTIC CHURCH
Overseers - Billy Berry
Sat. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Sun. Service... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.

GRACE FELLOWSHIP
John Curtis Isaacs, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

GREATER NEW ZION
BAPTIST CHURCH
Jeremie Turner, Sr. Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

HARRIS TEMPLE COGIC
CHURCH
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Service... 6:00 p.m.

HAW HILL ASSEMBLY
OF GOD
Shirley Ellis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.

HOLY TEMPLE COGIC
Glenwood, AL
Sunday Prayer... 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Worship Service... 11:00 a.m.

INO ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Wesley D. Ard, Pastor
Sunday School... 8:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

INO BAPTIST CHURCH
Garry Winstead, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

JACK ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Matthew Morris, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:15 p.m.

KINSTON 1st BAPT
CHURCH
Jonathan Jenkins, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LIVING WORD CHURCH
Derrick Stinson, Pastor
Saturday Service... 9:45 a.m.
Sunday School... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Youth Service 6:00 p.m.
Thurs. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIBERTY CHURCH OF
CHRIST
Greg Hanchey, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

LOVE'S WAY CHURCH
Charles Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

MT. CALVARY BAPTIST
CHURCH
J. R. Parks, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
1st & 3rd Sundays

MT. GLEAD BAPTIST
CHURCH
Dewey Emfinger, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 5:00 p.m.

MT. OLIVE BAPTIST
CHURCH
Olan Strickland, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meeting 7:00 p.m.

MT. VERNON ASSEMBLY
OF GOD
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.

Cathedral of the Holy Spirit
NEW ABUNDANT LIFE DEL.
Linda Williams, Pastor
Sunday... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Even... 7:30 p.m.

NEW JERUSALEM
CHURCH OF GOD IN
CHRIST - ENTERPRISE
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Morning Worship... 9:00 a.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Tuesday Evening... 7:00 p.m.
Friday Evening... 7:00 p.m.

NEWBIA BAPTIST
CHURCH
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW BROCKTON
METHODIST CHURCH
Dr. Craig Bailey, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Disciple Train... 5:00 p.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

NEW CHAPEL BAPTIST
CHURCH
Terry Godwin, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Bible Study... 5:00 p.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:00 p.m.

NEW EBENEZER
BAPTIST CHURCH
Randall Pearson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:30 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:00 p.m.

NEW GLORIOUS COGIC
James Starks Jr., Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Praise Service Mon 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.
Bib Stud Wed... 6:00 p.m.

NEW HAVEN BAPTIST
CHURCH
W. K. Ellison, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

NEW HAVEN ASSEMBLY
OF GOD CHURCH
Brad Sasser, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 5:00 p.m.

NEW HOPE BAPT
CHURCH
Lanny Shepard, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 6:30 p.m.

NEW PHILADELPHIA
CHURCH OF GOD IN
CHRIST
Loreal Flowers, Minister
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

OAK GROVE BAPTIST
CHURCH
Julian Mitchell, Pastor
1st - 4th Sun. Morn.
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

OLD TABERNACLE UNITED
METHODIST CHURCH
Lee Jones, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.

PERDUE ASSEMBLY OF
GOD
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

PINEY GROVE ASSEMBLY
OF GOD - SAMSON
Terry McCrummen, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 7:00 p.m.

PRaise & GLORY
WORSHIP CENTER
Roy L. Turner, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Worship... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 6:30 p.m.

ROCKY HEAD M.B.
CHURCH
A. R. Williams, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sundays

ROETON BAPTIST
CHURCH
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 4:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

TAYLOR HILL COMMUNITY
BAPTIST CHURCH
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Wed. Bible Study... 6:00 p.m.

THE CHURCH OF
JESUS CHRIST
Pastor Bishop E.H. Hill
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 12 noon
Youth Ser. Mon... 7:00 p.m.
Wed Bible Class... 7:00 p.m.
Fri Missionary Ser. 7:00 p.m.

THE WAY OF HOLINESS
CHURCH, Elba
Max Reed, Minister
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:30 a.m.
Tuesday Bible Class 7:00 p.m.

TRINITY BAPTIST
CHURCH
C.P. Davis, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VANDERBILT HOLINESS
CHURCH
Donald Mills, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Night Service 6:00 p.m.

VICTORIA BAPTIST
CHURCH
Shayne Allen, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:45 p.m.
Wed. Worship... 7:00 p.m.

VICTORY TABERNACLE
Ruby Lawson, Pastor
Morn. Worship... 10:30 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.

WESTSIDE BAPTIST
CHURCH
Ken Wilson, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 10:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

WHITEWATER BAPTIST
CHURCH
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 6:30 p.m.

WISE MILL ASSEMBLY
OF GOD
Dustin Wisecarver, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Service 7:00 p.m.

WOODLAND GROVE
BAPTIST CHURCH
Donnie Marter, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Prayer Meet. 7:00 p.m.

WOOTEN CHAPEL
ASSEMBLY OF GOD
CHURCH
Mike Medley, Pastor
Sunday School... 10:00 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service... 7:00 p.m.

ZION CHAPEL BAPTIST
CHURCH
Cary Maulden, Pastor
Sunday School... 9:45 a.m.
Morn. Worship... 11:00 a.m.
Even. Service... 6:00 p.m.

LIFESTYLES

Local students make Troy's Chancellor's List for summer

Troy University recently announced the names of students who had been named to the Chancellor's List for the summer semester and Term 5 of the 2021/2022 academic year.

Full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who earn a grade point average of 4.0 qualify for the Chancellor's List. The

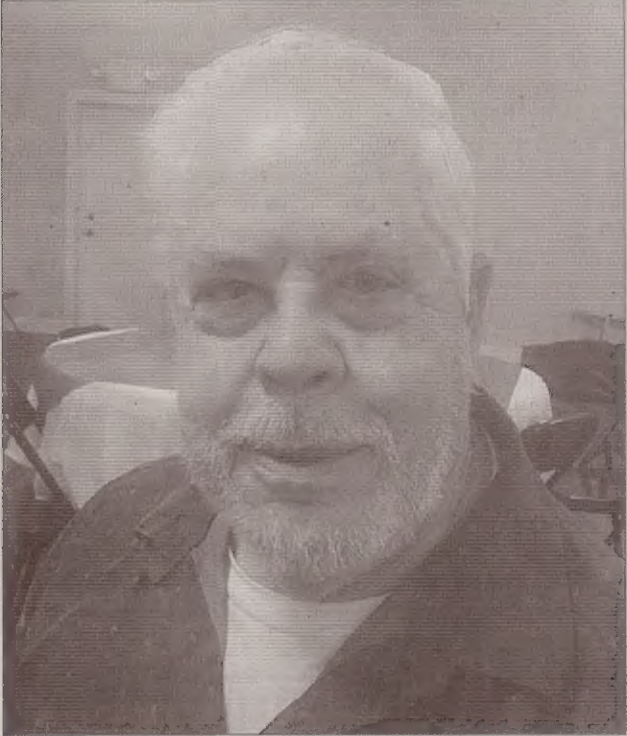
summer semester includes students at the Troy, Ala., campus. Term 5 includes students at TROY's campuses in Dothan, Phenix City and Montgomery, Ala., along with locations outside of Alabama and online.

Local students making the list were: Amanda Robbins, of Kinston, Ala., and Emily Wise of Jack, Ala.

Snell named to Provost's List at Troy

Kalin Snell of New Brockton, Ala. has been named to the Provost's List at Troy University for the summer semester/Term 5 of the 2021/2022 academic year.

The Provost's List honors full-time undergraduate students who are registered for at least 12 semester hours and who have a grade point average of at least 3.65.



MASON INSTALLATION...Brother Willie Earl Smith was installed Monday, Aug. 1, by PGM Brother Tommy Morrow to two Masonic offices during a ceremony held at the Elba Masonic Lodge #170. Smith was installed as the Senior Warden for Brockton Lodge #694, and he was installed as Marshall for the Elba Lodge.

Graphic design program latest addition to Troy's online courses

Beginning Term 1 of the 2022-2023 school year, Troy University Art and Design students can begin studying for the graphic design Bachelor of Science degree completely online from the comfort of their own homes.

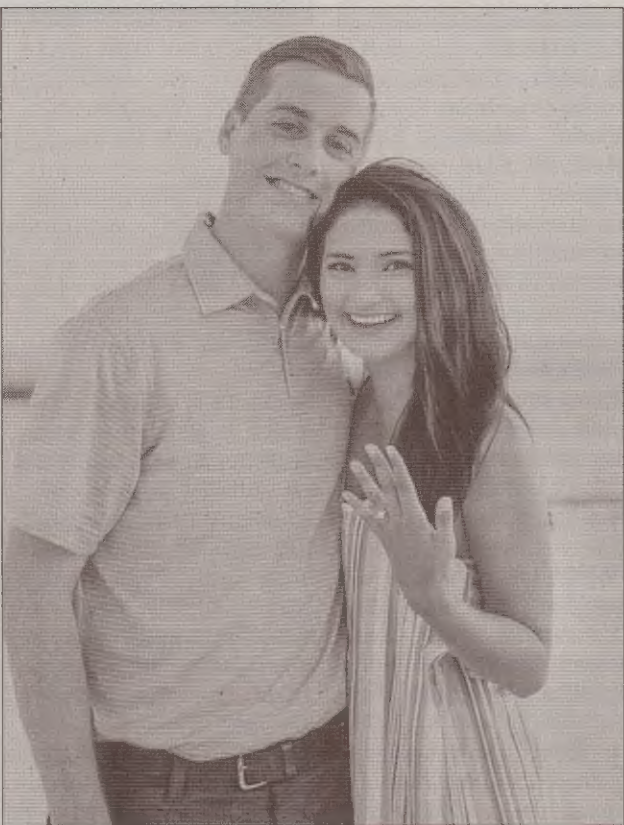
The online offering is a mirror of the current in-person program but with a different calendar, said Greg Skaggs, Interim Chair of Art & Design.

"What we've done over the past two years as a department is look at the current program, which has over 120 students enrolled, and asked ourselves how we can expand our global footprint," he said. "We brought in Associate Professor of Design Chris Stagl in 2020, who has written design curriculum throughout the country, to champion these efforts, and he has led our department in developing a program that can be creative and sustainable both online and in person."

Stagl said online students will have the opportunity to learn the same content as in-person students, such as design history, fundamentals, conceptual, software, creative projects, animation, video

and output.

"I'm very excited to welcome our first cohort of fully online graphic design students. It's refreshing knowing we have such a talented group of faculty that have the passion to branch into online delivery and the technology readily available to offer a great experience to the students," he said. "Having taught almost all of our current classes online at one point or another during the past two years, I can



Miss Alejandra McMurphy and Mr. Cameron Johnson to wed next month in St. Maarten

McMurphy-Johnson nuptials planned for September 24th

Mrs. Roxana Arauz McMurphy of Mobile, Alabama proudly announces the forthcoming marriage of her daughter, Alejandra McMurphy, to Cameron Johnson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tim Johnson of Elba, Alabama. Also, this marriage has the sincere love and blessing from her late father, Dr. Henry McMurphy.

Ale is a 2011 graduate of Davidson High School in Mobile, Alabama. She received her Bachelor's degree in communications/public relations from the University of South Alabama in 2017. Ale is employed in sales with Cintas Corporation in Mobile, Alabama.

The future groom is the grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy B. Smith and the late Mr. and Mrs. Milford Johnson of Elba, Alabama.

Cameron is a 2011 graduate of Crenshaw Christian Academy in Luverne, Alabama. He received his Bachelor's degree in business administration/management from the University of South Alabama in 2017. Cameron will be employed as a performance management analyst with Airbus in Mobile, Alabama.

The wedding will be Saturday, September 24, 2022, at 4 o'clock in the afternoon at the Sonesta Maho Beach Resort in St. Maarten.

Seniors encouraged to join the fun at the Elba Senior Citizens Center

Donna Falls, director of the Elba Senior Citizens Center, encourages all seniors age 60 and older to attend the Elba Senior Citizens Center.

Along with nutritious meals 5-days-per-week, Falls works with seniors to help them apply for several programs that they may qualify, including: Farmers Market Vouchers,

Bluegrass Festival set for Sept. 10th at Landmark Park

Head out to Dothan's Landmark Park on Saturday, Sept. 10, for a Bluegrass Festival! Live bluegrass music all day.

There will be jam sessions, instrument demos, food trucks, kids activities, historical interpretations, antique tractors, wagon rides, and arts and crafts vendors. Bring those lawn chairs and 10x10 tents!

Admission includes a wristband for re-entry. Admission is \$10 for adults; \$8 for seniors and military; \$4 for kids; free for park members and children 2 and under. Gates open at 9 a.m., music starts at noon.

Military Support Group Meetings:

Enterprise Military Support Group meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. Anyone who needs to talk about difficult experiences and needs an understanding friend is invited. Meetings at Church on Boll Weevil Circle, 2017 Boll Weevil Circle, Enterprise, Ala.

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Stown Hussey named to President's List at WCC for Summer semester

Stown Hussey, from Elba, Ala., was recently named to the President's List for the Summer 2022 semester at Wallace Community College.

Students named to the President's list must have completed a minimum of 12 semester hours of college level coursework with a grade point average of 4.0.

Wallace Community College-Dothan is a member of the Alabama Community College System, which is the state's single largest system of public higher education. With campuses in Dothan and Eufaula, Wallace offers academic

and career technical programs, adult education, workforce development and continuing education, as well as dual enrollment for area high school students.

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ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN RESOURCES

ELBA CITY BOARD OF EDUCATION COMBINED STATEMENT OF REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED SEPTEMBER 30, 2021	
FUND BALANCE OCTOBER 1, 2020	1,416,149.87
REVENUES:	
STATE REVENUES	4,872,483.78
FEDERAL REVENUES	1,515,149.71
LOCAL REVENUES	1,909,966.18
OTHER REVENUES	74,483.94
TOTAL REVENUES	8,372,083.61
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES:	
FUND TRANSFERS IN	10,594.78
OTHER SOURCES	3,561.71
TOTAL OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	14,156.49
TOTAL REVENUE & OTHER FINANCING SOURCES	8,386,240.10
EXPENDITURES:	
INSTRUCTIONAL SERVICES	4,204,022.33
INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES	1,096,039.32
OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE	865,978.29
AUXILIARY SERVICES	773,709.26
GENERAL ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	551,483.13
CAPITAL OUTLAY	
DEBT SERVICES:	
PRINCIPAL	106,282.82
INTEREST	48,820.29
OTHER DEBT SERVICES	
OTHER EXPENDITURES	341,923.37
TOTAL EXPENDITURES	7,988,258.81
OTHER FUND USES:	
FUND TRANSFERS OUT	10,594.78
OTHER FUND USES	00.00
TOTAL OTHER FUND USES	10,594.78
TOTAL EXPENDITURES & OTHER FUND USES	7,998,853.59
ENDING FUND BALANCE SEPTEMBER 30, 2021	1,803,536.38

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CASE NO: PC-22-052

NOTICE TO CREDITORS TAKE NOTICE that Letters Testamentary were granted the 26th day of July, 2022, to Karon Farris Jewell as Executrix of the Estate of Edna Lou Knight Farris, deceased, who departed this life on the 2nd day of June, 2022, by the Hon. Jodee Thompson, Judge of Probate.**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that all persons having claims against said Estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred./s/ L. Merrill Shirley
L. Merrill Shirley
Attorney for the Estate of Edna Lou Knight Farris, Deceased
8/11,18/25-pd

PUBLIC AUCTION

In accordance with S32 Chapter 13 codes of Alabama 1975, the following vehicles will be sold at auction on Wednesday, September 21, 2022 @ 8:00 a.m. at Batten's Paint & Body, 1252 Geneva Hwy, Enterprise, AL 36330. 2015 Ford Mustang V.I.N (1FA6P8AMXF5328663) 8/18&25-chg

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed bids for the construction of **WOODLAND DRIVE AND PUTNAM STREET CULVERT REPAIRS in Elba, Alabama** will be received by the City of Elba in the meeting room at the City Hall until 10:00 AM, Friday, September 9, 2022, and then at said location publicly opened and read aloud.

The work under the Base Bid generally consists of the extension of an 60 inch stormwater drainage pipe and addition of headwall in one area along with the replacement of wingwalls and erosion repair to an existing



NEWS RELEASE

For Additional Information Contact:
Emily A. VanScyoc, Community & Economic Development Director
Southeast Alabama Regional Planning & Development Commission
P.O. Box 1406
Dothan, AL 36302
(334) 794-4093 * Fax (334) 794-3288

August, 2022

The Southeast Alabama Rural Planning Organization (RPO) will hold the following meetings:

1. Local Public Forums
 - A. Barbour County – August 31, 2022, 3:00 p.m. – Barbour County Courthouse (Clayton), Small Conference Room
 - B. Coffee County – September 1, 2022, 2:00 p.m. – Coffee County Community Room (New Brockton)
 - C. Covington County – September 7, 2022, 2:00 p.m. – Covington County Administration Building (Andalusia), Large Conference Room
 - D. Dale County – September 1, 2022, 4:00 p.m. – Dale County Government Building (Ozark), Small Conference Room
 - E. Geneva County – September 7, 2022, 2:00 p.m. – Geneva County Courthouse (Geneva), Commission Chamber
 - F. Henry County – September 6, 2022, 4:00 p.m. – Henry County Courthouse (Abbeville), Commission Chamber
 - G. Houston County – September 6, 2022, 2:00 p.m. – Houston County Administration Building (Dothan), 6th Floor Conference Room
2. Technical Coordinating Committee (TCC), September 13, 2022, 2:00 p.m. – Daleville City Hall, Board Room
3. Policy Committee, September 13, 2022, 3:00 p.m. – Daleville City Hall, Board Room

The scope of the meetings is to discuss transportation safety issues, regional transportation project updates, and coordinated public transportation issues, including the regional coordinated transportation public transit plan, which identifies transportation needs of individuals with disabilities, older adults, and people with low incomes, provides strategies for meeting these local needs, and prioritizes transportation services for funding and implementation.

The RPO was established to develop a transportation planning process for the rural areas of southeastern Alabama and provides a formal link between the Alabama Department of Transportation (ALDOT) and the local governments. The counties served by the RPO include Barbour, Coffee, Covington, and areas of Dale, Geneva, Henry, and Houston not served by the Southeast Wiregrass Area Metropolitan Planning Organization (MPO). The RPO provides government officials and citizens in these counties an opportunity to receive information and advise the ALDOT on road, bridge, and other transportation projects.

All of the meetings are open to the public. Anyone requiring special assistance should contact the SEARP&DC at least 48 hours prior to the meeting at (334) 794-4093.

PUBLIC NOTICES:

Public Notices also are posted on the websites: www.elba-clipper.com and www.alabamapublicnotices.com at no extra charge

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PUBLIC NOTICES:

(Additional notices on Page 7)

ELBA Housing Authority

INTERESTED PARTIES ARE INVITED TO A PUBLIC HEARING TO REVIEW AND OFFER COMMENTS ON ELBA HOUSING AUTHORITY'S 2022 CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM AND 5-YEAR PLAN THURSDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2022 2:00 P.M.**ELBA HOUSING AUTHORITY OFFICE 1207 NORTH CLAXTON AVENUE ELBA, ALABAMA**

Related information is available at the Elba Housing Authority office prior to the Public Hearing for review and inspection.

COMMUNITY NEWS



These football players and cheerleaders from Elba High School enjoyed interacting Friday morning, Aug. 19, with elementary school students as their "Tiger Pals" for the day!

Tiger Pals a big hit at Elba City Schools



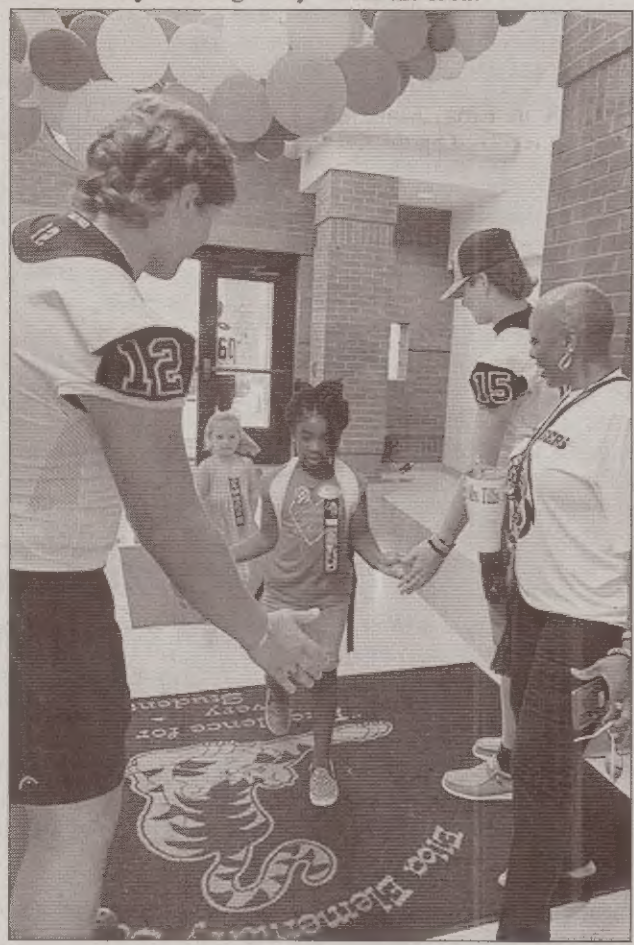
Elba football player Ty Sieving greets elementary students as they exit the school bus last Friday morning ready for a day of learning.



Cheerleader Haylee Tucker reads to EES students last Friday morning.



Football player Keaton Poole interacts with EES students.



Elba football players Brayden Johnson and Brady Johnson were offering 'high fives' to students as they entered the elementary school building last Friday.



Elba football players Austin Aguilar and JT Coleman open car doors for EES students as they arrive for school.



Left: Senior cheerleader Aimee Senn sells a booster badge to an elementary student last Friday morning. Right: As usual, there were plenty of hugs for Elbie upon his arrival



PUBLIC NOTICES:

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CITY OF ELBA
ORDINANCE NO. 11082021
AMENDMENT

AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AND IMPLEMENTING A HEAVY VEHICLE / TRUCK ROUTE FOR THE CITY OF ELBA.

WHEREAS, the downtown business district shall consist of all streets, roads, and highways lying inside the public highway loop, beginning at the intersection of AL Hwy 189 and AL Hwy 203 south of Elba and continuing east on US Hwy 84 to the intersection of Davis Street (Old 84) and Hwy 84 east of the city.

WHEREAS, a heavy vehicle shall mean any vehicle used for the transportation of goods, persons or property whose total gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) exceeds twenty-six thousand (26,000) pounds or any vehicle where the driver is required to hold a Class A or Class B CDL license.

WHEREAS, a truck route shall mean the public highways within the City of Elba which will include AL Hwy 189 from South of the city and up to the intersection of AL Hwy 203; US Hwy 84 from Elba City limits East and West of the city; AL Hwy 166, Taylor Mill Road, AL Hwy 189 North of Hwy 84, AL Hwy 87 North of Hwy 84 E, AL Hwy 125 Northeast of Hwy 84.

WHEREAS, exempt heavy vehicles are heavy vehicles which are:

- (a) City-owned, church-owned, or school-owned; or,
- (1) whose purpose is to provide specific and immediate goods or services to persons living in or maintaining a place of business within the city; or,
- (2) whose purpose is the delivery of goods, wares, merchandise, or chattels of any kind or, to Persons living in or maintaining a place of business within the city; or,
- (3) whose purpose is picking up for transport goods, wares, merchandise, or chattels of any kind from persons living in or maintaining a place of business within the city; or,
- (4) those heavy vehicles which originate from or are returning to any business where the driver holds employment within the city or, to/from a residence

within the city where the driver lives, subject to the condition that such a heavy vehicle would otherwise meet the definition of exempt heavy vehicle above or the driver is proceeding, via the most direct route to/from the truck route; or,

(5) any vehicle with a duly issued State of Alabama farm tag.

WHEREAS, all persons driving heavy vehicles shall use the truck route unless the heavy vehicle is an exempt vehicle.

WHEREAS, the proposed heavy vehicles prohibition will discourage trucks and other heavy vehicles from using and parking on Elba City streets. Except as to the truck route, no person driving a heavy vehicle shall cause such vehicle to traverse any highway, road, or city street within the corporate limits of the City of Elba unless it is an exempt heavy vehicle

WHEREAS, the Police Chief, or other officer of the Elba Police Department, is authorized, in conjunction with Elba's Department of Public Works, to install truck route signs along the truck route and/or no trucks signs along streets that connect to the truck route that are not included as part of the truck route. However, the absence of any truck route signs, or no trucks signs will not in any way impede the enforcement of this section or provide any defense to a violation of this section.

WHEREAS, the City Council of Elba has determined that any person violating this section shall be cited by any duly authorized peace officer with a Uniform Traffic Complaint and any such violation shall be punishable by a fine not to exceed five hundred dollars (\$500). The schedule of fines for violation(s) of this section shall be as follows:

(a) First offense...\$50.00 plus the cost of court

(b) Second offense...\$150.00 plus costs of court

(c) Third offense...\$300.00 plus the cost of court

(d) After third offense...\$500.00 plus the cost of court

On Monday, Aug. 22, 2022, the vote to amend the ordinance was as follows:

Passed: 5 Yea; 0 No; 0 Abstain

/s/ Gappa Wise, council-

man
/s/ Johnathan Lockett, councilman
/s/ Jane Brunson, councilman
/s/ AR Williams, councilman
/s/ Tom Maddox, mayor

Attest:
/s/ Sally Bane
Clerk
8/25-chg

IN THE MATTER OF
ANN M. BECK,
Deceased

IN THE PROBATE
COURT OF
COFFEE COUNTY,
ALABAMA
ELBA DIVISION

CASE NO: PC-2022-059

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION

Letters Testamentary of said deceased having been granted to the undersigned on the 16th day of August 2022 by the Honorable Jodee R. Thompson, Judge of the Probate Court of Coffee County, Alabama, notice is hereby given that all persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same within the time allowed by law or the same will be barred.

Witness my hand this the 16th day of August 2022.

/s/ SCOTT L. BECK
Personal Representative
8-25/9-1,8-pd

More Legal
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Page 6 of Today's
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS
DISASTER DEBRIS REMOVAL, DISPOSAL and REDUCTION
CONTRACT
COFFEE COUNTY, ALABAMA

Sealed proposals will be received by the Coffee County Commission at the Office Complex in New Brockton, Alabama, until 9:00 A.M., September 15, 2022, and then publicly opened for furnishing all labor, equipment, materials and performing all work required by Coffee County and described as follows:

Provide services to remove, dispose and reduce all eligible disaster generated debris from Coffee County, Alabama Rights-of-Way (ROW) including county roads, state roads, city streets, parks, public property and drainage easements. The area to be included as part of this contract is located entirely within the limits of Coffee County.

The contract period shall be for 12 months with an option to issue a second and third 12 month contract under the same pricing, terms and conditions.

A certified check or bid bond payable to the Coffee County Commission for an amount not less than five percent (5%) of the amount bid, \$10,000.00 maximum, must accompany each bid as evidence of good faith.

Specifications and Proposals may be obtained at the Coffee County Engineer's Office, 1165 East McKinnon Street, New Brockton, Alabama from 6:30 A.M. until 5:00 P.M., Monday through Thursday (telephone 334/894-6112). No proposal fee is required.

No bids will be considered unless the bidder, whether resident or non-resident of Alabama, is properly qualified to submit a proposal for this work in accordance with all applicable laws of the State of Alabama. This shall include evidence of holding a current and duly license from the State Licensing Board for General Contractors, Montgomery, Alabama, as required by Chapter 8 of Title 34, of the Code of Alabama, 1975. In addition, non-residents of the State, if a corporation, shall show evidence of having qualified with the Secretary of State to do business in the State of Alabama.

The right to reject any or all bids is reserved.

Dean Smith, Chairman
Coffee County Commission
8/25, 9/1 & 9/8-chg

SPORTS NEWS

Views From

The Pressbox

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

The Mularz Family celebrated a new edition last week when our youngest daughter Melanie delivered Cannon Reese Dunn into the world late Thursday night. Our second grandson came a couple of days earlier than expected, but weighed in at over eight pounds and was obviously ready to join the party. Cannon's paternal grandmother came in Friday while he was asleep on my chest and said that would spoil him, and I just smiled and replied that was my intention.

For what it is worth....

*** *The Elba Tigers were all they had been advertised* to be in last week's season opener as they rolled past New Brockton 40-8, in front of a standing-room-only crowd at a loud and boisterous Gamecock Stadium. The Tigers scored early and often to open up a 33-0 second quarter lead and carried a 40-0 lead into the fourth quarter before the Gamecocks finally got on the scoreboard. The 'dynamic duo' of Alvin Henderson and JT Coleman combined to rush for 306 yards and 3 touchdowns in the victory, the youthful offensive line more than held its own against the much bigger New Brockton defensive front, and the defense bent, but refused to break as it turned back a couple of threats. Elba's lack of depth at a couple of positions resulted in some cramps as the game went along. However, the Elba players would get some fluid on the sidelines and quickly head back into battle. I am sure the coaches pointed out mistakes that happened when they got back together early in the week, but for the fans it was a great win over a cross-county rival and got the season off to a fast start.

*** *It was a busy week for the teams in the area* with Kinston and Brantley both posting wins in their openers. Kinston spotted Samson an early touchdown and then came back led by the play of senior quarterback Cale Sumblin to post an impressive 34-12 win, while Brantley opened up a big 31-0 third quarter lead and coasted in with a 31-7 win over county rival Luverne. The pair of Bulldogs were 1-2 last season in the region standings and made it clear last week that they intend to once again lead the pack this season! New Brockton couldn't keep up with the speed of Elba's backs in a 40-8 loss and made way too many mistakes with penalties and negative plays to keep pace with their talented neighbors, while Zion Chapel lined up against Florala in a scrimmage game and discovered it still had a lot of work left to do in a game that ended with the Rebels on the short end of a lopsided score. Now that the first week is in the books it means that the fans will get to do a little trash talking and look ahead to the rest of the season, with high hopes of many more wins.

*** *The opening week of the high school football* season is always filled with surprises and that was the case again last week as 19 teams ranked in the top ten in the sports writer's poll dropped their season openers. One ranked team lost in both 4A and 5A, while two ranked teams lost in 1A and 2A, four ranked teams lost in 3A and 6A, and five of the ranked teams lost in 7A, including three-time defending state champ Thompson, which was pounded by Buford, Georgia 38-7. Other games that caught my eye were Andalusia's 35-7 win over Opp, Auburn's 17-14 win over Hoover, Pleasant Home's 41-6 win over A.L. Johnson, Ariton's 60-28 romp over Dale County, Dothan's 45-19 win over Carroll, Enterprises's 41-7 win over Bay, and Houston Academy's 28-0 shutout win over Wicksburg. Yep, it's going to be a fun season!

*** *Ye Ole Polish Prognosticator was shaking his head* when he came in the office over the weekend after struggling to a 9-5 record in his picks last week. The local guesspert said he expected to be much improved in the weeks to come, but did admit he was already putting the

polishing touches on his crystal ball. Okay, here is this week's fearless forecast....

ELBA VS. KINSTON

The Pea River felines will head down the road hoping to make a detour around the dog pound behind Kinston High School. The dogs in the pound got mad last season and bit everyone that came near, and you know they don't like felines. This one could be much closer than many may think, but the guess here is the felines will be a little too fast for the dogs to catch.

ELBA 26 KINSTON 14

ZION CHAPEL VS. GOSHEN

The troops from up at Fort Jack have been getting in a little extra target practice this week as they prepare for a bird hunt out behind the gym. The troops are confident they will be ready for a successful hunt. However, the guess here is the birds that are expected to arrive just before dark may be a hard target to find and will leave calling the hunt a success for the birds.

GOSHEN 34 ZION CHAPEL 20

NEW BROCKTON VS. OPP

The roosters from over behind the dollar store lost a few feathers last week in an opening week catfight and will have to heal in a hurry if they hope to hang up a win on their side of the ledger this week against a litter of kitties from across the county line. The kitties also struggled last week and will be hungry after the long ride, which may be

bad news for the roosters.

OPP 27 NEW BROCKTON 7

BRANTLEY VS. HOUSTON COUNTY

The bulldogs from across the creek will head near the state line this weekend looking to grab an early season region win. The dogs will tangle with a litter of kitties after parking the buses, and the guess here is they will make short work of the kitties and get back home as early as possible.

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Elba Tigers travel to Kinston for key region battle with highly-touted 'Dogs

The Elba Tigers will be on the road again this week and will enter region play when they travel to Kinston to tangle with the Kinston Bulldogs, at Bulldog Stadium.

Elba leads the series 5-0, won the last meeting 40-14 in 2019 and will be coming off a big 40-8 season opening win over New Brockton, while Kinston will be at home for the second straight week after opening the season with a 34-12 win over Samson.

"Last week's win was a great way to start the season," said Elba coach Marc Sieving, "but this week's game is the most important game on our schedule because it is our next game and it is our region opener against a very talented Kinston team that finished second in the region a year ago and is looking to be a factor in Class 1A again this season."

"Kinston is very well coached and really does a good job at what it does," added Sieving. "They are a single wing team like us and do a really good job controlling the game at the line of scrimmage. They have a big quarterback that likes to lower his head and run the football, and at 220 pounds he packs a punch. He is also a very good passer, and they can be successful doing both things on offense. They are definitely not one dimensional. Against Samson they came out in the second half and got settled in running the ball and took control of the

game. Kinston has a good senior class that is leading the way, and they are a very good football team. Over on defense they are really scrappy, run to the ball and get after you. They are aggressive all over the field and love to hit folks. This is not the same Kinston team Elba has played in the past. It is a very good team and I know they are looking forward to us coming down there Friday night."

"For us to be successful Friday night we will have to improve in a lot of areas from last week and be prepared for a tough, four quarter dogfight," said Sieving. "On offense we will have to be ready for whatever they throw at us, and since they run the same offense we do they will have a solid plan. We missed some calls last week that led to a couple of mistakes, and that has to improve. Also, our backs have to block better and our line has to improve every game. On defense we will have to be much improved at a lot of places. The defensive line has to do a better job using its hands to get off blocks, and when it does, not just run upfield. The secondary also needs to do a better job in the flats, and we can certainly tackle better. Kinston will give us some match-up problems and we have to recognize their sets and adjust to be successful."

When asked about last week's 40-8 win over New Brockton, Sieving stated "It was a good win against

a very physical, strong football team. We found out we need to develop more depth and need to get more players ready to help us. When we have so many players that never leave the field they get tired. We work on hydration all week and force water into the players all week long. It was a warm and muggy night and some of our kids got gassed. We did some things really well and we did some things not so well, but it was our first game and we know we have to improve each and every week."

Kinston, coached by former Elba Tiger stand-out Rudy Free, posted an impressive 34-12 win over Samson last week in its season opener, led by 6-4, 220-pound senior quarterback Cale Sumblin, who rushed for 166 yards and one touchdown and completed 5 of 8 passes for 50 yards and one score.

"Cale is going to be a leader for us," said Free in a preseason interview, "and

somebody that you know what you are going to get every time he takes the field. He is a big body, big frame, a big strong kid that plays all three sports. So, he is a competitor. He's got a lot of game experience, not just in football, but in everything. That is really a plus for him."

The Bulldogs aren't just big at the quarterback position, with senior running back Jeb Crosby weighing in at in at 175, junior fullback Brodie Walker at 185, and senior linemen Caden Carter (6-4, 315) and Connor Tew (6-4, 300) leading the way up front.

After last year's success, which broke most school records, the Bulldogs are hungry for even more success this season, as they showed in last week's win over 2A Samson.

"The players now know they can win," added Free in a preseason interview. "I think it gives our kids confidence that they know they compete and we can make it to the playoffs."

Area teams in action as second week of high schol football season kicks off Friday night

The high school football season will be back in action on Friday night with all area teams taking the field in week two action. Following is a preview of this week's games:

Goshen at Zion Chapel

The Zion Chapel Rebels will kick off their season Friday night at Green Memorial Stadium when they host the Goshen Eagles. Goshen owns a 24-6 series edge over the Rebels and has won the last eight meetings, including a 48-0 win back in 2019. The Rebels competed last week in a pre-season scrimmage at Florala, while the Eagles posted a 38-19 win over Daleville.

Opp at New Brockton

The New Brockton Gamecocks will be back at home for the second straight week on Friday night when they host the Opp Bobcats, in the region opener for both teams. Opp holds a 2-0 edge in the brief series and last season posted a 27-0 victory. The Gamecocks dropped their opener last week to Elba 40-8, while the Bobcats lost their opener to Andalusia 35-7.

Brantley at Houston County

The top-ranked Brantley Bulldogs will hit the road Friday night to kick off region action when they travel to Columbia to battle the Houston County Lions. It will be the first meeting ever between the new region rivals, and the Bulldogs will enter the game fresh off a 31-7 season opening win over Luverne, while the Lions will enter the game looking for their first win after being outscored by Northside Methodist 42-20 last week.

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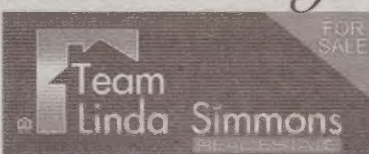


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SPORTS NEWS



Elba Tiger Alvin Henderson (2) heads upfield for a big gain. Henderson rushed for 180 yards and three touchdowns in last week's 40-8 season opening win over New Brockton.



Elba Tiger Brayden Johnson (12) looks for a receiver as he rolls out. Johnson rushed for two touchdowns in last week's 40-8 season opening win over New Brockton.



READY TO ROAR.... The Elba Tigers take the field Friday night for the season opening game against the New Brockton Gamecocks. Elba defeated the Gamecocks 40-8 and this week will travel for region opener against the Kinston Bulldogs.

Tigers cage Gamecocks 40-8

By Ricky Mularz, Sports Editor

Photos by BC Sports Photography

The Elba Tigers scored on their first three offensive possessions to grab a 20-0 first quarter lead and never looked back as they kicked off the season last Friday night with a convincing 40-8 win over the New Brockton Gamecocks, at Gamecock Stadium.

Elba began its first possession at the New Brockton 45-yardline after an unsuccessful on-sides kick attempt and needed only three plays to reach the endzone. Alvin Henderson rushed for 36 yards on two carries and scored the touchdown on a 17-yard dash, and Alex Wisecup tacked on the extra-point as the Tigers went on top 7-0 with 10:57 left in the first quarter.

Elba began its second offensive series at the New Brockton 40-yardline after a short punt and this time it took the Tigers five plays to get back into the endzone. JT Coleman rushed for 16 yards on two carries during the scoring march, while Henderson added 24 yards on three carries and scored his second touchdown of the night on a 5-yard run. Wisecup added the extra-point as the Tigers lead grew to 14-0 with 6:26 remaining in the quarter.

Elba regained possession late in the quarter at its own 30-yardline after a Gamecock punt and covered the 70 yards to paydirt in five plays to extend its early advantage. A 39-yard gallop by JT Coleman was a big play in the scoring drive, while Brayden Johnson capped the drive with a 1-yard scoring run. A bad snap foiled the extra-point try, but with 1:03 still left in the opening quarter the Tigers were off and running with a 20-0 lead.

Elba began its initial possession of the second quarter near midfield after a defensive stop and went 49 yards in three plays to cash in the short field. Alvin Henderson rushed for 45



Elba Marching Tiger Band members perform at halftime at last week's high school football season opener in New Brockton.

yards on two carries to lead the Tigers down the field, while Johnson scored his second touchdown of the half on a 4-yard run. A bad snap once again foiled the extra-point try. However, Elba's lead was up to 26-0 with 9:26 left in the second quarter.

Elba failed to score on its next possession after a pass interception by Cameron Gray, but got the ball back at midfield after a Gamecock punt and in two plays was right back in the endzone. The score came on a 40-yard run by JT Coleman, and Alex Wisecup booted the extra-point to push the Tigers lead to 33-0 with 1:45 left in the half.

Elba was forced to punt on its initial possession of the third quarter, but regained possession at its own 29-yardline after another New Brockton punt and promptly went 71 yards in five plays to score its final points of the night. Alvin Henderson rushed for 43 yards on two carries and capped the long scoring drive with an 8-yard run, and Wisecup added the extra-point as the Tigers lead grew to 40-0 with 36-seconds remaining in the quarter.

New Brockton began its ensuing possession at its own 30-yardline and drove

70 yards in 14 plays to get on the scoreboard. Gabe Herrington capped off the six-minute scoring drive with a 5-yard touchdown run with 5:18 remaining in the game, and Baylon Foster ran in the two-point conversion as the scoreboard changed for the final time with Elba on top 40-8.

Alvin Henderson rushed for 180 yards and 3 touchdowns on 14 carries to spark the Elba running attack, while JT Coleman rushed for 126 yards and 1 td on 9 carries and Brayden Johnson added 19 yards and 2 td's on 4 carries. Dominic Griffin had 6 tackles to lead the Elba defense, while Cameron Gray added 5 tackles and a pass inter-

ception, and JT Coleman, Brayden Johnson and Jacob Watkins all added 5 tackles.

Karyus McNabb rushed for 73 yards on 12 carries to lead New Brockton on the ground, while Yassiah Rousseau added 67 yards on 12 carries and Gabe Herrington rushed for 50 yards and 1 touchdown on 17 totes. Baylon Foster completed 7 of 11 passes for 92 yards, with James Downing pulling in 1 catch for 28 yards, Jaxon Whitworth pulling in 2 catches for 18 yards and Anthony Silar pulling in 2 catches for 1 yards. The Gamecock defense was led by Karyus McNabb with 7 tackles, while Blake Peterson had 6 tackles.

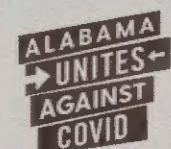
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An Elba Tiger tries to cool off during a break in the action at last week's season opening game in New Brockton.

SPORTS NEWS



BULLDOG ON THE LOOSE.... Kinston Bulldog Jeb Crosby (1) finds plenty of room to run as he heads upfield in last week's season opening win over Samson. Crosby scored two touchdowns in the big win.

Kinston tames Tigers 34-12

Statistics by W.J. Adcock
Photos by Linda Hodge

The Kinston Bulldogs opened the season with a bang Friday night with an impressive 34-12 win over the Samson Tigers, in front of a large and loud crowd at Bulldog Stadium.

Samson received the opening kickoff and immediately got the Bulldogs attention as the Tigers went 78 yards in 15 plays to grab an early lead. Jacob Branch connected twice with Brodey Mixon for a total of 30 yards to spark the long scoring march, while the Tiger td came on a 2-yard sneak by Branch. The extra-point try was blocked, but with 5:30 remaining in the opening quarter Samson was on top 6-0.

Kinston failed to score on its initial possession of the game, but began its second series at the Samson 45-yardline after a punt and covered the distance in seven plays to pull even. Cale Sumblin rushed for 33 yards on four carries to lead the Bulldogs down the field, while Jeb Crosby capped the drive with a 1-yard scoring dash. The extra-point try failed and with 6:28 left in the second quarter Kinston had pulled even at 6-6.

Kinston began its next possession at its own 2-yardline and marched 75 yards in eight plays to grab the lead. Cale Sumblin rushed twice for 37 yards and completed two passes for 18 yards to spark the scoring drive, with the Bulldog score coming on a 13-yard touchdown toss from Sumblin to Drew Connor. A two-point try failed to add points. However, with 5-seconds left in the half the Bulldogs had nosed ahead 12-6.

Kinston received the second half kickoff and promptly went 62 yards in eight plays to add to its lead. Cale Sumblin rushed for 39 yards on four carries and scored the touchdown on a 15-yard gallop, and



PLENTY TO CHEER ABOUT.... last week as the Kinston Bulldogs kicked off the season with a big 34-12 win over Samson.

Sumblin also ran in the two-point conversion as the Bulldogs lead grew to 20-6 with 9:09 remaining in the third quarter.

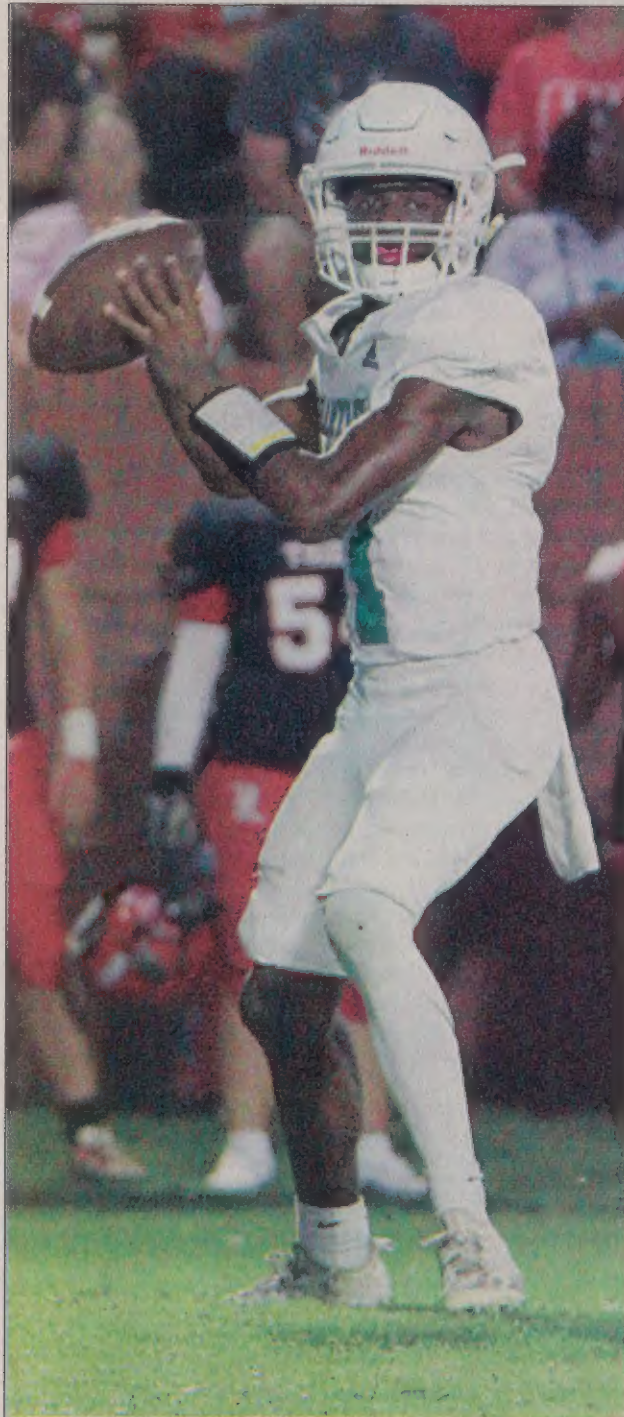
Kinston started its next offensive series at its own 35-yardline and this time went 65 yards in four plays to get back into the endzone. Cale Sumblin rushed for 56 yards on three carries to lead the 'Dogs downfield, while Jeb Crosby scored his second td of the night on a 4-yard run. Crosby added the two-point conversion, and with 4:46 left in the quarter the Bulldogs were in command with a 28-6 advantage.

Kinston's lead went to 34-6 with 6:39 left in the fourth quarter on a 23-yard scamper by Brant McCollough, and while Samson did score on the game's final play on a 3-yard run by Brodey White, it only affected the final score as the Bulldogs won their season opener

34-12.

Cale Sumblin rushed for 166 yards and one touchdown on 22 carries and completed 5 of 8 passes for 50 yards and one td to spark the Kinston offense, while Drew Connor had two receptions for 23 yards and one td, and Jeb Crosby had two rushing touchdowns and one reception for 21 yards. The Bulldog defense was led by Whitt Floyd with 9 tackles, while Dalton Smith added 8 stops and Drew Connor and C.J. Lunsford both added 6 tackles and one quarterback sack.

Josh Lowery rushed for 84 yards to lead Samson on the ground, while Jacob Branch completed 6 of 12 passes for 53 yards, and Brodey Mixon had a 43 yards receiving and scored one td on the ground. Leading the Tigers on defense were Brodey Mixon with 14 stops and JT Yarbrough with 11 tackles.



Brantley Bulldog quarterback Jayden Parks (1) fired three touchdown passes in the first half in last week's 31-7 season opening win over Luverne. The Bulldogs will travel to Houston County Friday night in their region opener.

(Photo by Cody Nichols)

New Brockton wins two at tournament

The New Brockton Lady Gamecocks competed in the 38th annual Amelia Rhoades Set-Off Volleyball Tournament last weekend at Kinston High School and went 2-2 in the eight-team event, won by Geneva.

The Lady Gamecocks defeated Zion Chapel 25-19, 21-25, 16-14 and Opp 26-24, 25-21, and lost to Kinston 16-25, 25-23, 16-18 in pool play. In semifinal action, the Lady Gamecocks were eliminated by Brantley 14-25, 25-21, 13-15.

During the tournament Anna Clark led the way with 22 kills, 17 aces, 5 blocks and 6 digs, while Angel McBay added 21 kills; Samantha Peyton added 52 assists and 24 digs; Anna Lynn Hanson added 9 aces, 6 kills and 17 digs; and, Meredith Sconyers added 6 aces and 21 digs.

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